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MAYSVILLE, KY., SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 1897.

ONE CENT.

## TRUTH AT LAST!

Jackson Makes Another Confession, Exonerating Walling!

*Special to Public Ledger.*

CINCINNATI, O., March 20th, 1897.

Newport, Ky.—Scott Jackson said to have made a complete statement exonerating Walling from all blame. Dispatch has gone to Governor Bradley. Great excitement. No further action till Sheriff hears from Frankfort.

A. N. K.



If you have friends visiting you, or if you are going away on a visit, please drop us a note to that effect.

Colonel E. Robert Blaine of Chicago is in the city en route home from the East.

Miss Carrie Sidwell of Flemingsburg has been the guest of Mrs. H. G. Wells this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. English left for Louisville yesterday after a visit to Mrs. Frank S. Owens.

Mr. John D. Bridges and family of Portsmouth were in the city last evening on a visit to Mrs. A. M. Bridges, mother of Mr. Bridges.

If you have an item of news, please call up THE LEDGER, Telephone 33, and send it in.

Fire Insurance—John C. Everett.

Moses Hull of this city gets an increase of pension.

George Brown has moved from this city to Aberdeen.

Harvey W. Sechrist of Concord has had his pension increased.

M. E. Ingalls, President of the Big Four and C. O., has gone to Europe to be absent eight weeks.

Farmers and gardeners should inspect Landreth's Garden Seed at Cheneborth's Drugstore before buying others. They are superior to any on the market.

Hoffitch's Cash Bargains. New Dress Goods 30c. for 50c. quality; Japanese Rugs all sizes cheap; 12¢ and 15c. Matting at 8¢ and 10c. yd.; Curtain Poles free with Lace Curtains at reduced prices.

The Manchester Fair will be held the first week in September.

J. W. Wallingford of Union will run for Representative in Fleming.

Four hundred barrels of whisky were shipped this week from the G. G. White Distillery at Paris to Bremen, Germany.

Ex-United States Marshal D. J. Burdett of Louisburg is in Washington carrying an application for the Consulship at Rio Janeiro, Brazil.

### COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS.

Items of Interest to Local Knights of the Grip and Pass.

On the road this week—J. B. Russell in Fleming county, George F. Brown and J. C. Kachley in Ohio, J. L. Nicholson in Lewis county.

Monday being Court Day at Flemingsburg, the usual number of our C. T.'s will attend.

Boys, ask Hudson what the "girl" said to him at Vanceburg Monday. He will undoubtedly set up cigars again, as it has already cost him about one-third of his salary.

The following are the officers elected at the meeting of Maysville Council, U. C. T., last night:

Senior Councillor—T. M. Russell. Junior Councillor—J. B. Russell. Past Councillor—J. C. Nicholson. Secretary—Geo. F. Brown. Conductor—J. C. Kachley.

Page—E. M. Green. Sentinel—J. Fitzgerald. Executive Committee, two years—C. D. Russell, J. P. Wallace.

Executive Committee, one year—J. B. Russell, J. D. Muse.

### MAYSVILLE WEATHER.

What We May Expect for the Next Twenty-four Hours.

THE LEDGER'S WEATHER SIGNALS.

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## WE'RE FOR AMERICA & AMERICANS!

It was far-sighted General GRANT who originated the aphorism, "The surest way to get rid of a bad law is to enforce it." Therefore, let us have a rigid application of "Civil Service reform" in a like MISTER CLEVELAND.

The Democratic papers are trying mighty hard to bolster up the silly story that Governor BRADLEY has gone or will go into a combination to defeat DR. HUNTER. Governor BRADLEY has done and will do no such foolish thing. Like every other true republican, he is for the nominee of the caucus.

The Administration of President MC-KINLEY will give the country a Protective Tariff. Meanwhile MISTER CLEVELAND's Free-trade Consuls will continue to hold their places throughout the world, as their "great and good friend" nailed their places down with a Civil Service spike. And being Free-traders, these Consuls will naturally do all they can to cripple President MC-KINLEY's policy and his Administration.

Many people wanted "Gentleman Jim" CORBETT to whip JOHN L. SULLIVAN, simply because the latter was a big, blustering blackguard. He did it, and soon became as noted a "duffer" as SULLIVAN himself. Now that FITZ-SIMMONS has beaten CORBETT, the hope is that someone may whip FITZ, and that someone else may break the victor's neck with a club and put an end to the succession of professional brutes.

Mr. GAGE, the new Secretary of the Treasury, has given the office-seekers a practical illustration of his Civil Service policy. In filling the vacancy caused by the death of Judge REES of Kentucky he promoted a Clerk in the Department, instead of asking to have the place exempted from competitive examination. It goes without saying that the Clerk was a Democrat, and therefore the only person competent to hold the place. Republicans have no right to expect office as long as any of MISTER CLEVELAND's Democratic appointees are willing to fill the places.

Dr. J. C. STEEN, a well-known Dentist of Ripley, and Miss Sallie, daughter of Mr. Jackson Lawwill of Manchester, were married Wednesday.

The Seventeenth Annual Commencement of the Manchester High School will be held Thursday evening, April 15th. There will be eighteen graduates.

A full line of Novelties, Novelties and the latest styles of Millinery just opened by Miss Anna Frazier, 207 Court street, second door from State National Bank. Goods new, artistic and of latest style. Satisfaction guaranteed, make up and price guaranteed. Will appreciate patronage of all old friends as well as public generally. Call and inspect.

## DIED YESTERDAY.

Mr. Lab Farrow Passed Away at His Home in the County.

Mr. Lab Farrow, aged 32 years, son of the late Champ Farrow, died yesterday morning at 5 o'clock at his residence between Orangeburg and Mt. Gilead, after an illness of some three or four months of consumption.

He leaves a wife—who was Miss Jessie Wallingford—and three children, one girl and two boys. His mother and one sister—Mrs. William Terry of Lexington—also survive.

The funeral will occur this afternoon at 2 o'clock from his late residence; burial in the family burying ground.

## FIFTY POLITICAL POINTS.

A Valued Correspondent's Views of the Duck-Hunting Administration.

Duck hunting has had great honor put upon it.

Duck hunting now has a National reputation.

We suppose Mr. Cleveland may now be considered a "dead duck."

We understand the key to all those duck hunts was "whiskey."

No wonder duck hunting was so fascinating with "John Barleycorn" as companion.

What occasion had the Government to furnish the means of locomotion for the last duck hunt?

There's nothing mean or low about duck hunting unless perchance the ducks should fly too high.

Mister Cleveland in his duck hunting craze posed something after the fashion of the monkey climbing the pole.

We don't know whether duck hunting alone pays; but when it goes partnership with the Presidency it's not to be sneezed at.

How would it do for the Democracy to take up the duck as their National emblem, and discard the noble bird under which they went down in defeat?

Mr. Cleveland has "feathered his nest" so well during his duck hunting Administration that it will not be necessary for him again to hang people for a living.

Some men are born great; others achieve greatness, while others still have greatest thrust upon them. To which of these shall our distinguished duck hunter be charged?

Don't fail to place your "ad" in THE LEDGER if you want the most for your money.

Taylor Bros at Washington are selling 22 pounds of Havemeyer's Standard Sugar for \$1 and 8 cents of either Arbutus' or Lion Coffee for \$1.

Wanted, a young or middle aged man in a certain established and rapidly growing stamp trade; big profits and quick returns guaranteed. Applicant must have from \$500 to \$1,000 cash to invest in the business, and will be amply secured against loss. Further particulars by addressing:

T. L. GREEN, County Clerk,  
Mt. Olivet, Ky.

## NOTICE.

All persons having claims against the estate of H. W. COOK, deceased, are requested to present them at once in proportion according to law, and all persons indebted to the estate will please call on:

W. A. COOKE, Jr., Executrix,  
M. J. C. COOKE, Jr., Executors,  
March 16th, 1897.

Proposals will be received until Saturday, March 28th, 1897, for the erection of a building about two miles of turnpike road from the New York of Lockport, N.Y., for the residence of Mr. MITCHELL residence, and for one unit of the same, and for one unit of the same, also for about one hundred and fifty feet.

Also for about one hundred and fifty feet.

For information and specifications apply to JOHN E. COLE, Esq.,  
Mayfield, Ky.

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## UNDER WATER.

**Heavy Rains in the South and West Swell the Rivers.**

In Some Localities the Flood is the Highest Ever Known.

**Many Levees Giving Way and the Surrounding Country Inundated—Properties of the Greatest Flood on Record at Nashville.**

**GAVIN, Ark., March 20.—**The water was two inches Thursday night. For many hours yesterday, the river, and the water is up to the Iron Mountain tracks. Hundreds of section hands are striving to keep the water back with dirt bags. At every station the Negroes are giving their services to be taken away. Many get on the trains as carried without pay. Superintendent Roe, of the Iron Mountain, has given orders that none are to be put on the cars.

The list of fatalities is enormous and probably will never be known.

Mr. Middleston, who arrived here with his family from Arkansas last Friday, reports the death of a woman and five children Wednesday night. The water came up, and though the unfortunate climbed on the tables and chairs the flood finally reached over their heads.

William Cartwright and William Cox, working on Judge Dodge's farm at Rosebud land, lost their lives Thursday. They were in a dugout trying for stock and the current upset the dugout. Cartwright could not swim and Cox tried to save him, but both perished.

Jake Carter lost his life at Gavin Thursday night. His dugout was upset by rushing water. His companion, Sterling, was saved by climbing a tree.

Amanda Chapman, an old colored woman, just arrived from below, reported the death of six persons she could not name. A father tried to save his wife, who was a dugout, and he drowned, drowning them. The water killed others in the house.

Charles Hurley was drowned while trying to save his hog Thursday night near Gavin. He could not manage a dugout.

A mountain of household goods is piled up at every railroad station. Whites and Negroes beg for help from every train crew. Men along the road are submerged to the waist, and cattle standing in the fields with only their heads above water. Many corries of hogs and cows are washed up by the waves.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 20.—The Cumberland river Friday morning registered 40 feet on the gauge. Rain fell all day Thursday, all Thursday night, and continued to come down incessantly today. There is no record of the greatest flood on record.

The highest recorded water in the Cumberland river was in 1883, when it registered 55 feet, 9 inches, and now it is outside of 50 feet, and it may well exceed. Much damage has already resulted from the overflow in the lowland, and more will follow when the flood increases.

Large sections of East Nashville have been under water for several days. The river is already climbing to the business houses on Front street. Boats are anchored to the sidewalks, and the prospects are not the first floors of the building will be submerged.

Dispatches from the southern counties of Tennessee and from northern Alabama report 20 hours of rain, fall and terrible floods. Great damage has been done to bridges and fences. Trains have stopped running on the Nashville, Florence & Sherman railroads.

HELENA, Ark., March 20.—The river at noon was within two inches of the highest water on record here. The sun shone Friday morning, but the rain continued, and heavy downpours of four inches, and conditions are more hopeful.

The observer here says that from the looks of things above he would not attempt to cross the river, and urges all the people in the lowlands to move out to higher ground.

The levees in front and north of the city are having the attention of the men of the city, and the boards on the levees are being raised and strengthened. Heavy rains Friday and Thursday nights have partly inundated a portion of the northern suburbs of the city, but the water is out of control.

A report from Modoc Friday morning is to the effect that the levees are still holding, although a report Thursday night said that they would not be able to hold until this time. A reporter who returned from there Friday morning says that, with the recent recruits to the already large army or levee workers, there is now a bright outlook for the safety of the levees, but if the water continues to rise it does not look possible, as there is but 12 to 15 inches clear levee in a part of the river. The levees on the Mississippi appear to be in good shape, and as they have plenty of men and money and no comparatively new levees to look after, it is hardly possible there will be a break in that side.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 20.—The heavy rainfall during the day and part of the evening caused the Menominee river to overflow its banks. Friday night at Waupaca, a suburb some miles distant from Milwaukee, and from a point at Fortville street and Mount Vernon avenue, the water was high enough to cover a distance of ten blocks is submerged. The water at midnight was 8 to 9 feet deep and is still rising. About 150 small houses are located in the district, and the number of deaths have been reported. The work of removing the victims of the flood has been going on all evening, the veterans of the National Soldiers' Home helping with small boats. At 9 o'clock the Milwaukee police department was

asked for help, and a boat was sent out. The fire department, the police, and the water were taken out to the scene of the flood by the fire tug "Lulu." The rescue work was going on all night. Criminals, however, had broken out. The Sioux river is higher than it has been since the floods of 1881. All railroad communication except over the Illinois Central south of Onawa is cut off. Three large bridges have washed out on the Illinois Central. Wagons bridges are generally swept away and all communication east is cut off. The people have sought the highlands and have grain and grain on the bottoms is destroyed.

### THE FLOOD SITUATION

In the Vicinity of Sioux City, Iowa.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., March 20.—Though much of Thursday night's rain was of course unrecorded, Friday, the actual situation is growing worse. The Floyd river had carried out every bridge from Lemers to miles above Sioux City and is still rising.

LeMars, Merrill, Hinton and Sioux City suburbs of Springfield, Lynn and Leeds, flooded and many houses in this city, it is said, are surrounded by water. On the river, a man, a woman and a child at Hawarden, the water is reported five feet deep in the streets.

The North Western is said to have not a bridge left between Huron and the Hauxton, and the company is trying for stock and the current upset the dugout. Cartwright could not swim and Cox tried to save him, but both perished.

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NEWPORT, Ky., March 20.—Scott Jackson and Walling repudiate their confessions—Never heard of Dr. Wagner until the trial.

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Hardy had signed statement left the Alexandria jail by special messenger on his way to Gov. Bradley before the doomed man who wrote it, pacing the cell which he was to leave for the scene of his execution, was once again protesting his innocence of Pearl Bryan's murder, and crying about his lamentations for the mistake which he had made.

It was an extraordinary and dramatic scene.

HIS SISTER, Mrs. Edwin Post, of Greenup, Ky., with him at the time, is the authority for the statements which follow.

Jackson and his sister were taken to the condemned man's cell by Dr. Godfrey Hunter, the state's attorney, and the mothers of the two men had wept and prayed over them, but said:

"My conscience and my oath demand that I do my duty before the hanging."

Dr. Godfrey Hunter, Dr. Wagner may have had something to do with the murder, but the testimony of the wife and daughter is strong evidence that he had not.

One member of the Bryan family, when questioned by a correspondent, said that he had not thought enough about the confessions to even think about the family will attend the hanging.

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NEWPORT, Ky., March 20.—Wm. L. Jackson and S. H. Martin, brothers of Dr. Wagner's wife, have made affidavits regarding Dr. Wagner being at the home of his father-in-law in Jessamine county from January 1 to Feb. 4, 1884. Mr. Martin, a physician and assistant physician at the asylum also give an affidavit stating that Dr. Wagner is now cured of his mental disorder and is competent to make a statement intelligible. The affidavits were sent to the governor with the request that he respite the murderers until a full investigation can be made.

### THE SCAFFOLD

On Which Scott Jackson and Hugo Walling Will Die.

NEWPORT, Ky., March 20.—The dimensions of the scaffold upon which the condemned man, Hugo Walling, will be executed by hanging were determined by those whom I thought were my friends, who urged me to confess that I killed her. They said it was better to absolutely swear to confess unless one entirely new statement was made.

"They spoke to me about Dr. Wagner. I did not realize until now what had been written to him that how he had been driven almost to distraction by those whom I thought were my friends, who urged me to confess that I killed her. They said it was better to absolutely swear to confess unless one entirely new statement was made."

"The truth," exclaimed Jackson.

"No! not a line. Not a word! I did not realize until now what had been written to him that how he had been driven almost to distraction by those whom I thought were my friends, who urged me to confess that I killed her. They said it was better to absolutely swear to confess unless one entirely new statement was made."

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